

72. (new) The food tray of claim 71 wherein said initial intrinsic viscosity is less than about 0.85.

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73. (new) The food tray of claim 72 wherein said initial intrinsic viscosity is less than about 0.80.

REMARKS

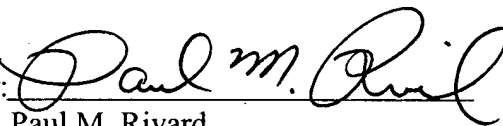
New claims 47-73 are pending. By the foregoing amendment, the specification has been amended at page 1 to claim benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 to co-pending application Serial No. 09/453,457. Claims 1-29 and 31-46 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer and new claims 47-73 have been added. Applicant expressly reserves the right to pursue the canceled claims in a continuation application. Support for the new claims is found in the specification, *inter alia*, at page 7, line 24 to page 8, line 2; page 8, lines 21-22; page 10, lines 1-8; page 11, line 29 to page 12, line 5; page 12, lines 20-25; page 13, lines 3-27; page 14, line 22 to page 15, line 3; page 19, line 3 to page 20, line 2; and page 24, lines 10-16. No new matter is added.

The Examiner is cordially invited to telephone the undersigned at the number listed below if doing so would be helpful to resolve any outstanding matters.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

Specification, Page 1, after the Title:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 09/535,953, filed March 27, 2000, now U.S. Patent 6,394,783, and a continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 09/453,457, filed December 2, 1999.--